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Applicant(s): Alfred Thomas et al.

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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

A SECONDARY GAME PLAYED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A

PRIMARY GAME

TC/A.U. : 3714

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## <u>RESPONSE</u>

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 26, 2004 consideration of the following remarks, and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, is respectfully requested. New art has been applied by the Examiner, and for reasons made apparent herein, Applicants find the art very distinguishable from the invention as claimed.

IFIN. Attorney Docket No. 2100/17 TRANSMITTAL Application Number 10/051,316 FORM January 18, 2002 Filing Date JUL 6 200K Alfred THOMAS et al. First Named Inventor used for all correspondence after initial filing) Group Art Unit 3714 Carmen D. White Examiner ENCLOSURES (check all that apply) **Assignment Papers** Appeal Communication to Board Amendment / Response to X(for an Application) of Appeals and Interferences Final Office Action mailed March 26, 2004. Appeal Communication to Group After Final Drawings (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) After Allowance Communication to Group Affidavits/declaration(s) Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69) **Proprietary Information** and Accompanying Petition To Convert a **Post Card Receipt** Status Letter  $\boxtimes$ Provisional Application Power of Attorney, Revocation Additional Enclosure(s) Extension of Time Request Change of Correspondence (please identify below): (duplic) + check 1-month Address **Express Abandonment** Terminal Disclaimer Request Information Disclosure Applicant claims small entity Statement, PTO-1449, art status. Certified Copy of Priority Request of Refund Document(s) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may Response to Missing Parts/ M Incomplete Application be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0930. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. **CALCULATION OF FEE** Small Entity Large Entity Highest No. or Add'I Add'l Claims After Previously Present Paid For Amendment Extra Rate Fee Rate Fee 103 Minus 111 0 x \$9= 0 x \$18= Total 0 0 x \$86= Indep 10 Minus 11 x \$43= First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim +\$145= + \$290= total add'l fee \$ 0 total add'l fee \$0 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT Michael H. Baniak, Reg. No. 30,608 Firm Allison M. Dudley, Reg. No. 50,545 BANIAK PINE & GANNON Individual name 150 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 1200 Chicago, Illinois 60606 Date: June 30, 2004 Signature **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AMENDMENT; Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 30, 2004.

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